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# IOWAVE



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## War Highlights

Weaving through a fierce flak barrage, American heavy bombers plastered German positions south of Caen, adding to the destruction which British planes had rained on the same area a few hours earlier. Robot bases were their targets. Other targets in the intense bombardment in north France were also hit. The Americans' second Britain-to-Russia to Italy shuttle was completed with attacks on Romanian air-domes.

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Canadian troops, opened their phase of the Allied drive to win Paris by ripping through six miles of the German lines below Caen. The assault followed the heaviest bomber barrage ever laid across a battle-field. The British 2nd Army, in the center of the 90-mile line, and masses of American tanks to the southwest, swept to points a little more than 100 miles from the French capital.

### RUSSIANS

In a three-day battle, Russian forces killed 6,000 Germans attempting to break out of the encirclement in the Baltic area. The Red Army captured Krustpils, a railroad center 70 miles southeast of Riga, where other units widened to bridge-head across the Vistula River northeast of Krakaw.

### ITALY

In Italy, Allied forces battled to eliminate the last German strong-point south of the Arno River, an 18-square-mile pocket in the river loop near Florence. They met heavy German resistance.

### PACIFIC

Allied forces were revealed to have killed 22,341 Japanese troops in recent campaigns in India's Manipur state and in north Burma. Tokyo radio reported a U.S. bomber raided Shanghai and 10 P-40 fighters attacked Hankow.

## Stewartson Awarded For Recruiting WR Member

Mary L. Stewartson of section 12 has been awarded a Letter of Commendation for her assistance in recruiting one member for the Women's Reserve.

## 72,350 Have Enlisted In Women's Reserve

In the past two years, members of the Women's Reserve of the Navy have filled 10 per cent of the shore establishment billets in continental United States. This has enabled more than 60,000 men to be assigned to duty afloat or overseas. The present enrollment of the Women's Reserve, which was established 30 July, 1942, is 72,350.

Of this total enrollment, more than 67,000 are on active duty and the remainder are awaiting call. Recruiting for the service is continuing at a pace which indicates that the goal of nearly 100,000 women by the end of 1944 will be reached. These women are vitally needed to fill shore billets necessary for the successful prosecution of the war, and to continue the process of releasing all available men for combat duty.

To date, Navy women have been assigned to duty at 500 shore establishments in continental United States. Through such assignments, 32,700 enlisted men and 4,675 officers have been directly released from these necessary jobs at home to fill necessary jobs at sea or overseas. In addition, some 30,000 other men are serving afloat because the women of the Navy were trained and ready to fill necessarily expanding complements at home. Thus, on the basis of pre-war complements, the Women's Reserve in two years has placed as many patriotic women in the Navy's shore force as it would take men to man 10 battleships, 10 aircraft carriers, 23 cruisers, and 50 destroyers.

The women who have added this fighting strength to the Navy are now performing almost every type of duty which the shore establishment of the Navy needs.

The largest proportion of both officers and enlisted women are filling office billets, but many of these are of a highly specialized nature. In addition, however, women are now trained for and assigned to many non-administrative jobs.

For women officers, the range of billets includes: air navigation instructors, air combat intelligence officers, aerologists, Japanese and other language special-

## Women's Reserve To Attend Governor's Day Celebration

### Gay Nineties Theme Of Seaman Show

Another great seaman show will be presented next week, Friday, 18 August by sections 14, 21, 22, 42, 43 and 44 inclusive. It is rumored that the costumes and the sets will be gala for the Gay Nineties production. Talent galore—songs, dances and scintillating skits—will be represented in this elaborate production. Details of the show will be revealed in in next week's IOWAVE.

### Ship's Company Loses Three Crew Members

Three of Ship's Company received orders this week for new duty stations.

John C. Chew, EM2c, left Tuesday night for San Francisco, California, and sea duty. Johnny "Fixit" Chew has been the handiest member of the station crew for the past 18 months, repairing practically everything, but especially the typewriters. He also was an expert golfer and patiently started many a potential Patty Berg off with the right swing.

The Public Relations office hated to lose Aileen Hartigan, Y2c, who departed Tuesday for Great Lakes, Illinois. She had been stationed here for 15 months.

Also transferred to Great Lakes was Helen Kisla, Y1c, who reported here recently from San Francisco, California.

ists, radio and radar technicians and administrative specialists, technicians in medically-related fields, doctors, dentists, civil engineers, supply offices, lawyers, communicators, and educational service officers.

Enlisted women are now directly eligible for 34 different ratings and may be granted any other rating, if approved by the Bureau of Naval Personnel. Some of the new fields of work which enlisted women have entered during the past year are: aviation ordnanceman, electrician's mate, printer. Special-

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### WAVES To Act As Escort For The Governor

On 12 and 13 August, the Sixth Annual Water Carnival and Governor's Day celebration will be held at Clear Lake, Iowa. Twenty-nine officers and members of ship's company will go to Clear Lake Saturday morning to take part in the Governor's Day celebration, and will return Sunday.

Members of the Women's Reserve present will sing, and will also act as escorts for Hon. B. B. Hickenlooper, Governor of Iowa. Guests of honor besides Governor Hickenlooper are State Executive Officers, Members of the Iowa Legislature, and Nominees.

The program for the two days includes the dedication of McIntosh Woods, a picnic, speed boat rides, band concert, the Governor's banquet, the Aqua Follies, and the Official Ball.

The Aqua Follies will feature Larry Griswold, international diving clown; Cid Canale and Freda Jean Dodder of the Minneapolis Aquatennial, and other entertainers.

On Sunday, Governor Hickenlooper will speak at the Methodist Church services and again in the afternoon.

The final event of the celebration will be a Venetian Parade on Sunday evening.

### Ochs Gives Recital During Friendly Hour

Trainees who heard Evelyn Ochs, S2c, section 32, may be interested in learning that many of the numbers played and sung at the recital she gave on last Sunday's Friendly Hour, are available on the Radiola MUSIC HOUR.

Conducted by Chaplain J. D. Kettelle, the MUSIC HOURS are held three times a week. Tuesday and Thursday at 1830, and Sunday at 1600 in the East Lounge.



# THE IOWAVE



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## EDITORIAL

### Remember Our Goal

When we joined the Women's Reserve we all had in mind to take whatever job they chose to give us. Many of us were chosen for yeomen school and now we realize we must learn a lot in a short time. We would be hindering the war instead of helping, if the Navy took too much time to teach us all we have to learn. We are here to do a good job quickly and efficiently.

Our brothers, husbands and sweethearts are walking through mud, ankle deep, flying in all kinds of weather, day and night, fighting and dying at their battle stations, but do they complain? No girls, they don't ask questions or stop to see if the next fellow is doing his job. It is a full time job and must be done without a minute lost, or the tiniest mistake. We are the ones they love best. They have given up security and comforts that we take for granted, and have gone off to fight thousands of miles from home.

Let's all of us buckle down, have less kicking and remember why we joined. Yes, show them that we appreciate them, and want to share in helping to bring them back to the land they are fighting for, and we all love so dearly. When Victory is ours, we can hold our heads high and say we really did our job well, as we have assisted in shortening the days of the war with Germany and Japan.

We are all proud to wear the Navy Blue that stands for tradition, honor and bravery. Let's make ourselves worthy—worthy to wear it, and thank God that we have the opportunity to serve in the proud branch of the Women's Reserve.

## BARTLETT BINNACLE

### DID YOU KNOW THAT:

Seamen on watch during the winter have the honor of shoveling the snow in front of Bartlett.

Every time you go to a class on the third deck of the Auditorium building you climb 67 steps. Multiply that by three and double it—since what goes up must come down. If you weren't tired before you read this, you probably are now.

Miss Goodenow knits for relaxation. Her patient (courageous) instructor is none other than Miss Wandelt! Miss Wandelt's more advanced pupil is Miss Levett.

If you tell someone that there are 279,678,934,341 stars in the universe, he will believe you. But if a sign says, "Fresh Paint," he'll have to make a personal investigation.

Nylon, our "once upon a time" hose, is now being put to use by medical departments as sutures for sewing war wounds. It has been used on more than two hundred brain and skull cases with satisfactory results.

We're wondering who sent those beautiful roses to Madge Wilson. They were proudly sitting on her dresser when she walked into her billet Monday afternoon.

"What was that explosion on Jake's farm?"

"He fed his hens 'Lay or Bust' and one was a rooster,  
Ski-U-Mah.

### Platoon Leaders—Attention!

Unless you are gifted with an extra set of eyes placed in the rear—you had better walk forward, or, at least, look around to view the journey before venturing backward. There is one girl we know who has proved by experience that it takes more than a mere bump to make a lamp post move.

The latest report on the security watch is about the seaman who was told at watch meeting that all red flare lights should be on at all times. During her rounds she spied one that was off and in trying to turn it on rang the fire alarm at 0300.

A new student has come to Bartlett, a certain Bartholomew (n) Hall. He is none other than a real, live turtle. The owner is Joanna Bash of Platoon 14.

LOST—One twenty-dollar bill. Last seen going into a department store. If anyone should see it, or even one like it, will you please tell me whose picture is on it?

On her twentieth birthday Sally Burns of Buffalo, New York, sister of "Bobbie" Burns, P. L. of 34, was sworn into the WAVES. The big day was 7 August. Good recruiting there, "Bobbie."

If you're wondering who sang "Ave Maria" in Catholic mass last Sunday, it was Emily Falbo. She did such a beautiful job of it, that many of us came out sniffing.

### HELLO GIRLS:

Do you ever have problems? Do your roommates talk in their sleep? Does shorthand keep you awake nights? If so, you need some advice. I am here to give it to you. Any type of problem is my specialty.

I can remember the time a poor old fellow had a terrible toothache which lasted for seven days. Finally, he came to me and asked for advice. After considering the case thoroughly, I told him to see a dentist right away. Well, do you know that that solved his problem and he has never been troubled with the same tooth since.

I am sure there are a great many things you need advice on. All you have to do is to write your problem on a sheet of paper and leave it in the IOWAVE Staff Office in care of Shippa Hoy. Just in case you're not sure where that is—it's directly across from the Rose Lounge.

Regardless of the type of question, you can expect an answer in this column the following week.

Hopefully yours,  
SHIPPA HOY.

A Navy ensign accompanied by a driver in a Navy truck was challenged by a sentry at a crossroad. "Who goes there?" "One Navy ensign, one ton of fertilizer, and one seaman second," answered the ensign. They were allowed to pass, but at every crossroad the same challenge was met and the same answer given. After several challenges, the seaman asked the officer if they were likely to be stopped again. "I think so," replied the ensign. "Well, sir," said the seaman, "the next time we are stopped, would you mind ranking me above the fertilizer?"

—Keynoter



## MOVIES

Saturday, 12 August 1944

2000—"The Human Comedy"—a drama with Mickey Rooney and Frank Morgan. "Happy Go Nutty"—technicolor cartoon, RKO News.

Sunday, 13 August 1944

1400—"In Our Time"—Drama-Romance with Ida Lupino, Paul Heinreid and Nancy Coleman. Rudy Vallee and his Coast Guard Band. "Russian Rhapsody"—Merrie Melodie.

## "POP" SAYS

This week "Pop" has an excerpt from THE POSTAL BULLETIN, 4 August 1944, Vol. LXV, No. 18742. It is a summary of restrictions on parcels to personnel of the United States Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard overseas:

1. For convenient reference there is given below a summary of the conditions heretofore published governing the acceptance of mail for the personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard outside the continental United States, certain restrictions having been found necessary by the Navy Department to meet its needs and assure prompt service to its personnel.

2. WEIGHT AND SIZE — Except as hereinafter provided, no parcel shall be accepted for mailing to personnel of the United States Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard who are stationed overseas if it weighs more than 5 pounds, or exceeds 15 inches in length, or 36 inches in length and girth combined.

3. ADDRESSING—The instructions of the Navy Department now

## Chevrans Of Ship's Company

Victoria J. Carson, Y3-c

Equally at home in the Personnel Office on this station, or teaching dancing, "Vicky" Corson, Y3c adds an extra bit of rhythm to her work.

Miss Corson, who is a graduate of Monroe High School in Monroe, Wisconsin, later attended dance college for a year, and, before joining Uncle Sam's navy on 29 July 1943, taught dancing of all types in a school of her own.

She has fond recollections of her "boot" days at Hunter. Since that time Cedar Falls has been her home, for she received further training here, which materialized into a job right on the station.

Yeoman Corson recommends bowling to keep one in trim, that is, after one is through dancing. For that sparkle in one's eyes, she recommends the music of Harry James. . . . She grew starry-eyed at the mention. . . .

A member of the Swiss Turn Verein in Monroe, Miss Corson is proficient in gymnastics which include the parallel bar, acrobatics, and calisthenics.

"She's got rhythm!"

in effect require that personnel of the Navy afloat or outside the continental United States have their mail addressed only to the Fleet Post Office at New York, N. Y., San Francisco, California, New Orleans, La., or Seattle, Wash., and to naval installations or stations in care of Postmaster, Seattle, Wash.

4. REQUEST NOT NECESSARY — NUMBER OF PARCELS LIMITED — It is not necessary that a request be obtained from the addressee before parcels may be mailed to naval personnel overseas, but not more than one parcel within these limits of weight and size shall be accepted for mailing

## Recent Bond Sale Exceeds \$47,000,000

The Commandant of the Ninth Naval District has recently received a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, James V. Forrestal, commending personnel of the Ninth District for their support in the Independence Day War Bond sale, saying that:

"By investing \$4,525,668 in "extra" cash bonds during the Independence Day Sale, personnel of the Ninth Naval District established a new high record for themselves which is more than four times the previous mark of last Pearl Harbor Day. The results brought out the Navy exceeded 47 million dollars which is more than double the total for Pearl Harbor Day 1943.

"Great Lakes led all Naval Training Centers and the other activities of the District reported such splendid results that it is difficult to single out any of them for special mention. The response from large and small activities throughout the District is proof of careful planning and effective organization without which the sale could not have been a success.

"Congratulations to the Commandant Commanding Officers and uniformed and civilian personnel of the District whose united efforts have contributed so materially to a new Navy War Bond record."

The Commandant of the Ninth District also expressed his appreciation to all activities in this District for a job well done.

in any one week when sent by or on behalf of the same person or concern to or for the same addressee. No perishable matter shall be accepted for such personnel.

## ISTC Librarian To Give Book Review

The FRIENDLY HOUR "questionnaire box" brought results last Sunday. Several suggestions were voted upon, and trainees may look forward to a wide variety in future programs.

One item scheduled for this Sunday's meeting at 1830 in the East Lounge, will be the review of a new book, "Wind in the Sahara," by R. V. C. Bodey, presented by Miss Marybelle McClelland, Librarian of ISTC.

Trainees, who have found it difficult to keep up with current reading will find this opportune, informal program of interest.

Inez Miller, section 24, and Verna Brown, section 31, will sing solos. Grenath Duck, Marge Anderson, and Imogene Priskey will furnish a trio with Grace Beck of section 31 at the piano.

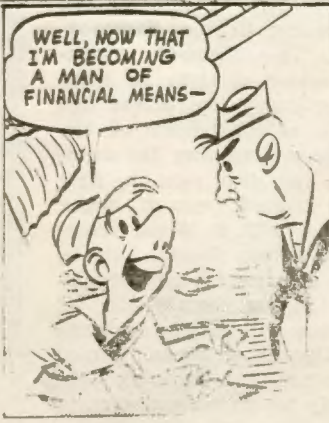
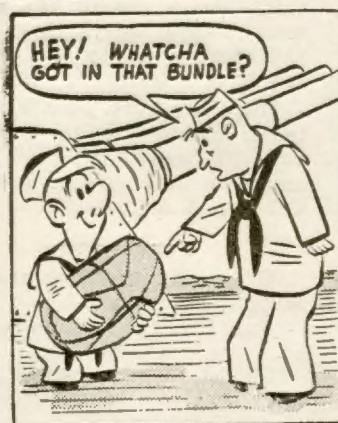
A "round-table" discussion is to be held in the near future, dealing with post-war problems.

Tags, bearing the name and section number of participants, are available upon request. Chaplain J. D. Kettella sponsors these non-sectarian gatherings, each week in the East Lounge. He personally makes up these identification tags, which have proved so successful in helping everyone to become acquainted.

Ensign Ruth Larson, former yeoman in the public relations office at Cedar Falls, now on duty in Washington, D. C., renewed her practice at bowling. She walked into a drug store following her game and said to the clerk: "I am a little sore from bowling."

"I don't care who you are or where you come from, we don't have any kleenex or films."

## SWAB STORY



Army War Bond Cartoon Servi



## Dress Right, Dress!



It's just as easy to form good habits as bad habits. It's just as easy to keep our uniforms spic and span as to wear them half clean and wrinkled.

These torrid summer days are hard on our dresses. They don't stay clean any time at all. That means that we have to keep plenty of soap handy and not all rush for the wash basin or wash tub at the same time.

It helps to soak the dress in suds a few minutes before washing, which can be done while studying or in the latter part of the afternoon. Ink stains, scorches, et cetera, are removed easily and effectively with Clorox on moist absorbent cotton. When dry, the dress is ironed in a short time. With the exception of the collar and pleat, the pressing can be done on the wrong side.

The summer uniform will not wear out from washing and ironing, so why spare it?

The tie, being an important part of the dress, should be taken care of in the same way. It will press well with a piece of cardboard of the same shape and size inserted to keep the seams coming through to the right side. With a small iron, it can be pressed without the cardboard. The tie is pressed on the wrong side only.

As potential yeomen, it is expected that we should keep ourselves right up to the minute in appearance from our polished shoes to our neat hairdos.

"Halt," ordered the guard, "Who goes there?"

"You wouldn't know me," said a voice out of the darkness, "I just got here yesterday."

—Keynoter.

An exhaustive survey of the Pennsylvania coal fields reveals that there remains enough anthracite alone to keep the country in strikes for 160 years.

—Sea Breeze.

## 72,350 HAVE ENLISTED

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ist (Mail), Specialist (Gunnery), Specialist (Welfare), Ship's Service Man, Aviation Machinist's Mate (Instrument Mechanic), Aviation Radio Technician, and Ship's Cook.

The largest single group of enlisted women are Seamen, performing any of about 40 different types of jobs. These seamen billets vary from mechanical draftsman to photo lithographer. And these women, like their male colleagues, are eligible to strike for any rating within the complement of the station to which they are attached. Some of these seamen, and others who were rated as Petty Officers, Third Class, after completing specialist school, have already advanced through the enlisted grades to Petty Officer, First Class. At least four enlisted women are now rated as Chief Petty Officers.

Among the Petty Officers, Yeomen and Storekeepers form the majority. Pharmacist's Mates and Hospital Apprentices in the Hospital Corps compose the next largest group—nearly 10,000 altogether. Next in size is the group of women holding aviation ratings—mechanics, metalsmiths, control tower operators, gunnery, instrument flying and celestial navigation instructors, aerographer's mates, and radio technicians. The enlisted women of all ratings who are now on duty at Naval air activities comprise about one-third of the total enlisted personnel of the Women's Reserve.

One of the major new fields to use the services of Navy women during the past year is the postal service. Already more than 1,000 of the 6,000 total mail personnel on duty in continental postal stations are women, and an indication that this 16 2/3% replacement will become even larger is seen in the fact that only women will now be trained as Specialists (M) at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Sampson, New York. The successful assignment of women to duty as aviation free gunnery instructors has led to the establishment of the newest type of training for women. Just a few days ago, the first class of enlisted women began studying at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois, to become antiaircraft gunnery instructors. Upon completion of training, they will then be assigned to Naval Operating Bases. Armed Guard Centers, and Training Centers to help teach enlisted men to shoot the enemy from the sky.

## 688 V-10's Commissioned in Past Year

### FROM "Sounding Off"

A year ago two ensigns received special congratulations from Capt. Herbert W. Underwood, USN (Ret.), commanding officer of the Midshipmen's school. Those two ensigns, Ruby G. Chisler and Mary T. Arrison, were the first women to be commissioned in the Navy from the enlisted ranks of the Women's Reserve.

Now, a year later, almost 700 women who entered the Navy as enlisted personnel, have received commissions, 655 as ensigns and 33 as lieutenants (junior grade). They have come from shore stations and naval training schools throughout the United States. The 688 commissioned through 27 June 1944, have represented 13 enlisted ratings and have come from the seaman group as well.

Some who have been commissioned from the V-10 group have master's degrees, others have baccalaureate degrees, still others have had a few years of college and some who have been commissioned because of outstanding work in the enlisted ranks, have had no college training.

From enlisted ranks the largest number in a single rating is that of yeoman, with 355 having entered training. One of that number was a chief petty officer. Specialists have totaled 119; storekeepers, 74; pharmacist's mates, 73; radiomen, 63; aerographer's mates, 19; aviation machinist's mates, 11; parachute riggers, 4; telegraphers, 3; and one each of the aviation metalsmith, aviation repairman and baker ratings. Seamen who have entered officer's training number 20.

Because the largest single group of WAVES is located in Washington, D. C., the most candidates to officer's training have come from there—310 through 27 June. The Eighth Naval district has sent 101 enlisted women as candidates to the school, the Ninth and Third districts, 65 each; the Seventh district, 46; the Twelfth district, 37; the First district, 32; the Eleventh district, 25; the Fourth, 23; the Thirteenth, 18; the Sixth, 14, and the Fifth, 12.

Scholastically, the women coming up from the ranks have rated equally with the women who enter officer's training straight from civilian life. Many, because of leadership qualities and Navy background, have made outstanding records at the Midshipmen's school academically and in the regimental field.

Lt. (j.g.) Dorothy Ford is on leave in San Leandro, California.

## Meet the Staff

Ensign Helen M. Berlin

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As charming as she is petite, as blonde as she is dynamic—introducing Ens. Helen M. Berlin, of the Instruction Staff.

Home to Miss Berlin is Chicago, where she was born and received all of her extensive education. After graduating from the University of Chicago with a B.A. degree, she went on to Northwestern University, where she received her M.A. in Personnel and Guidance.

On 5 June 1943, Miss Berlin began midshipman training at Mt. Holyoke College, South Hadley, Massachusetts, and on 27 July 1943 she received her commission, following which she reported here for duty on 3 August.

Closely interwoven are her two most interesting hobbies—photography and "people." Previous to joining the Navy, Miss Berlin exhibited both black-and-white and colored photography in a number of salons in Chicago, and in 1942 she was listed in "Who's Who in Photography."

Miss Berlin also lists travel as one of her hobbies. In addition to her many trips throughout the United States, she has visited Mexico twice. Yes, her post-war plans call for a journey to Mexico, Central and South America.

## Tournaments Off To a Good Start

The tournaments for volleyball, tennis, ping pong, and softball began Thursday, 3 August, with a bang! According to scores through Tuesday, 8 August, sections 22 and 31 remained undefeated in volleyball and sections 12, 23, 31, 32, and 44 remained undefeated in softball.

New trainees as well as the old ones are really playing very good ball. For a reward, the winning team always plays the officers and ship's company, and they really have a team.

There are fifty seamen playing tennis and forty-seven in the ping pong tournament, but there are no scores on these tournaments as of Tuesday, 8 August.

"What kind of sailors are they?" asked Saint Peter.

"American," replied the gatekeeper.

"Oh, let them in" said St. Peter, "they will want a transfer in six months anyhow."